DMR ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

March 17, 2004, 1:00 p.m.

Revised Agenda

1. Welcome

Chair

2. Approval of minutes

Meeting – January 21, 2004

3. Regulations - Action (voting)

Chapter 9 Harvester: Shellstock Harvesting, Handling and Sanitation and Chapter 48 Identification and Tagging of Shellfish - Repeal

Chapter 15 General Shellfish Sanitation Requirements

Chapter 16 Uniform Physical Plant Equipment and Operation Requirements

Chapter 17 Shucker-Packer

Chapter 18 Shellstock Shipper

Chapter 19 Reshipper

Chapter 20 Depuration

4. Other Business

DMR Draft Long Range Plan - Presentation and Discussion

Discussion on Ch.10.04 Method of taking Surf, Hen Clams or Quahogs

Advisory Council member updates

Scheduled Rulemaking Hearings or Meetings:

Updated: March 8, 2004

FMI: Contact Laurice Churchill at (207) 633-9584

Date Hearing or meeting / Location / Chapter or Subject / Staff contact on Notices

Rulemaking Hearings and Meetings – abbreviated chronological listing

03-17-04 03-23-04	Meeting Hearing	Augusta W BBH	Advisory Council meeting (Churchill) Chapter 25.07 ASMFC Lobster Management Areas and Limitations (new) and Chapter 25.08(B)(2) Lobster Trap Tag System (Stockwell)
03-23-04	Hearing	WBBH	Proposed repeal of Chapter 25.50 Closed Season Regulation on Fishing for Crabs in Sheepscot River; Chapter 25.55Closed Season on Fishing for Crabs in Damariscotta River; and Chapter 25.60 Closed Season on Fishing for Crabs in Medomak River (Stockwell)
03-23-04	Hearing	W BBH	Chapter 11.07(1)(a)(iii) Configuration of Drag (Stockwell)
03-29-04	Hearing	WBBH	Chapter 31.10(C) Horseshoe Crabs - Daily and Possession limits (Churchill, Mercer)
03-29-04	Hearing	WBBH	Chapter 37.02 Minimum Length Limit for Landlocked Salmon, Brown Trout, and Rainbow Trout (Flagg)
03-29-04	Hearing	WBBH	Chapter 55.03 Special Area Closures to Finfishing (Churchill, Sprowl)
03-29-04	Hearing	WBBH	Chapter 110 Marine Harvesting Demonstration License (New) and Chapter 25.08(B)(1) & (6) Lobster Trap Tag System (Churchill, Gilbert)
04-21-04	Meeting	Augusta	Advisory Council meeting (Churchill)
05-19-04	Meeting	Augusta	Advisory Council meeting (Churchill)

Draft rulemaking in progress - Written materials not available unless noted:

- 2.90 Statutory compliance (Costigan)
- 2,10 & 14 Updates for consistency with federal shellfish Model Ordinance (Fitzpatrick/Churchill)
- 5 Proposal to update with new changes in §6173(2) and proposed Chapter 8 (Libby)
- 25.08(B)(1)&(2) Non-commercial license update with statutory changes (Gilbert)
- 26.20(1-3 & 5-7) Repeal research areas (Hunter)

Council Notes from Lew Flagg – No updates available at this time

Memorandum

To: DMR Advisory Council

From: Laurice U. Churchill

Date: March 9, 2004

Subject: Meeting Notice for meeting:

Wednesday, March 17, 2004, 1:00 p.m.

Location: Department of Human Services, Central Offices, 442

Civic Center Drive, Augusta *

Mailings for 7 rulemakings in progress have been mailed separately to you recently, see attached list. If you have not received these mailings please contact me at (207) 633-9584 or they may also be downloaded from the web site: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rulemaking/index.htm. Electronic copies of the enclosed shellfish rules are also available from the same web site.

Please notify Ruth Riopell (tel: 624-6553 or email Ruth.Riopell@ Maine.gov) if you are <u>unable</u> to attend this meeting by <u>5 p.m.</u> Monday, March 15, 2004.

If the meeting is cancelled council members and other persons who may be attending the meeting will be contacted by telephone in advance of the meeting. Persons may also check for a cancellation notice posted on the Department's website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/council/advisory_council_meeting.htm.

* Directions to: Department of Human Services Central Offices (conference room) 442 Civic Center Drive Augusta

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Encl: agenda, pending rulemaking list, shellfish rules

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